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In Re Application of: Shen, Y., et al.	Confirmation No. 8135
Serial No.: 10/669,768	Art Unit: 1633
Filing Date: 24 September 2003	Examiner: M. Marvich
Title: ADENOVIRUS E1B-55K SINGLE AMINO ACID MUTANTS AND METHODS OF USE	

STATUS INQUIRY REGARDING PETITION TO THE DIRECTOR

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

On 9 July 2007 applicants filed a Petition to the Director of Technology Center 1600 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 Regarding an Improper Action by the Examiner in Ex Parte Prosecution, including Exhibits A, B, C, and D. The petition was filed in response to a non-final rejection, mailed 9 May 2007.

Applicants must soon respond to the non-final rejection. A decision from the Director on applicants' petition is greatly desired before applicants file a response to the non-final rejection.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully request to be informed of the status of the petition to the Director in the above-referenced case. Further, if the Director has not already acted on the petition, applicants respectfully request an estimate of the date by which the Director is expected to act on the petition.

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Authorization to Charge Deposit Account: No additional fees are believed due in connection with this paper. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 15-0615 (please reference ONYX 1047.DIV) any fees required for the Petition to the Director of Technology Center 1600 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 or any fees required by this paper under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21, with the exception of the payment of the Issue Fee.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 10 Sept 2007

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